

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUATION/DIVISIONAL  
APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)**

**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Customer No. **2 1 8 3 9**

Sir:

This is a request for filing a [ ] continuation [X] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending Application No. 09/277,953 filed on March 29, 1999, for BICYCLIC AROMATIC COMPOUNDS AND PHARMACEUTICAL/COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS COMPRISED THEREOF, by the following named inventor(s):

- (a) Full Name Jean-Michel BERNARDON
- (b) Full Name \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Full Name \_\_\_\_\_



- [X] The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- [X] Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: Galderma Research & Development, S.N.C., Valbonne, France.
1. [X] Enclosed is a copy of the prior Application No. 09/277,953 as originally filed on March 29, 1999, including copies of the specification, claims, drawings and the executed oath or declaration as filed.
2. [X] The filing fee is calculated below:

C L A I M S					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$750.00 (1001)
Total Claims	1	MINUS 20 =		× \$18.00 (1202) =	
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =		× \$84.00 (1201) =	
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00 (1203)					
Total Application Fee					750
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					
Add Assignment Recording Fee of \$ _if Assignment document is enclosed					
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					750

3. ☒ Charge \$ 750.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
4. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.
5. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-15 and 17-57 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
6. ☒ Priority of Application No. FR-98/03976 filed on March 31, 1998 in France is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- ☒ The certified copy of the priority application
- ☐ is enclosed.
- ☒ was filed on March 29, 1999 in prior Application No. 09/277,953, filed on March 29, 1999, and acknowledged by the Examiner on May 1, 2003 in the Notice of Allowability.
- ☐ has not yet been filed.
7. ☒ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
- ☒ --This application is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional of Application No. 09/277,953, filed on March 29, 1999.--.
8. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
9. ☒ A General Authorization for Payment of Fees and Petitions for Extensions of Time is enclosed.
10. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to \_\_.
- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. ☒ Recognize as Associate Attorney Barbara Webb Walker, Registration No. 35,400.



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- d. ☒ Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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☒ attorney or agent of record  
☐ filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.34(a)

